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TIRED OF THE IMPOSITION.

There are miles of streets in New York that are cleaned by private subscriptions. Street-Cleaning Department sweepers and wagons never enter them. They are the cleanest streets in the city, and are those that have been pointed out to show that Beattie's men do some work well. It costs less per mile to clean them than it does to clean the streets that the Department men are responsible for. They prove that the people's money is wasted.

One contractor, who sweeps part of Broadway, agrees "to clean in as thorough manner as possible once in every twenty-four hours, before 9 A. M. in Winter and before 8 A. M. in Summer," and that it "be swept so thoroughly that sprinkling shall not be necessary." And this he has done for years.

Mr. Beattie has gone from New York—where, none of his subordinates will tell. Mayor Grant is back for a time at least. It is his duty to look after the workings of all the departments of the city government. He must realize the misery his neglect is causing in the tenement districts, where, owing to the filthiness of the streets, the air is so vitiated as to be almost unbreatheable.

It is no excuse to say that the streets would be cleaned if more money were appropriated, when the big allowance made is not expended as it should be.

The people are tired of being imposed upon.

CAPTAIN SARAH.

We hear with pleasure that SARAH BERNHARDT contemplates chartering a vessel to take her and her company around the world. This is novel, and novelties are always welcome. But there is another feature which may prove most interesting of all. Sarah has a habit of running things on occasion, especially if they do not run her way.

If a storm should come up, she would order the captain below decks and the woman bridge herself. Then, in her best La Tosca voice, she might order the tiller spliced to the mainmast, or the spanker-boom furlied, and get into a fine Adrienne Lecourte frenzied when informed that her orders could not be carried out.

Of course, the public would miss this in six dollars a mile owing to the difficulties of ferrage, but the rest of the company might enjoy it, if they found time to stop praying for the storm to cease, or dared to leave off lowering the life-boats. But Sarah would enjoy it, and, after all, it would be her ship.

WHAT DOES HE EXPECT?

Lieutenant-Governor Jones is not appreciated as he might be. There was a time when the very fact that he paid the freight gave him a place in the hearts of his countrymen. But little is heard of the freight-paying nowadays, and Jones isn't heard of as much as he was. But he is the same individual, and still has that charming flow of wit for which he was so noted in the up-counties.

He was in town yesterday, and the ubiquitous reporter corralled him, and asked if he expects to get the nomination for Governor. After a moment of thought the Lieutenant-Governor replied: "Once upon a time a negro went out one night to get a chicken. He did not get a chicken, but he got arrested. You see he got something."

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DR. HOLMES'S BIRTHDAY.

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His is a veritable green old age. Happy in his home, in his family, in the esteem of his fellow-countrymen, and secure in his eminence in the world of letters, he passes his declining years in the vicinage of his youth and prime, one of the best-loved of Americans.

It is gratifying to learn that the Autocrat is in good physical and mental health, and the whole nation will unite in wishing him many happy returns of his birthday.

A little Plainfield girl with strong mercantile instincts has gone into the local business of raising cattle. Yesterday she bargained twenty-seven calves and a cow, on which she got seven dollars. She is not a popular child in Plainfield.

Here is cause for grief. Gov. Russell of Massachusetts, is a confirmed lawn-tennis player. Picture him in a

striped jersey and flannel cap. Why doesn't he spar or row or fence if he wants exercise?

"Who is Wells, any way?" was Secretary Halton's question when asked that gentleman would succeed Secretary Phoenix. This was rough on the General, Law.

The Russian peasantry, goaded by starvation and brutality, have revolted in several provinces. It is only a matter of time when this despotic Government will be overthrown.

The fall of Bannockburn does not necessarily end the Chanak war at once. But it is hoped, for the benefit of the country, that it will soon be settled one way or the other.

Queen Victoria has given orders that Great Britain's representation at the World's Fair be well looked after. This speaks well for her intelligence.

Charging 25 cents a head for the privilege of seeing prisoners flogged, as was done at Raichur, N. C., yesterday, speaks poorly for that city's government.

Even the worm will turn, and speaking of turning young Jim Blaine intends defending his wife's divorce suit, and in a way that will surprise her.

Lynching is becoming too common. If it keeps on there is probability of the lynchers being lynched themselves, just for example's sake.

Women are not as popular in the German Post-Office as they were. Protests against them are pouring in from all quarters.

WENDELL PHILLIPS's memory is to be honored in Boston by a public hall bearing his name. It is well to honor such men.

It is funny that elderly lawyers should wrangle over the awarding of a medal, but that's what the Bar Association is doing.

Look here, Uncle Jasus. Can't you do something to stop these cloud-bursts? They are entirely too frequent.

A French Baron has just won \$1,000 by crossing the ocean in the steerage. He got the worst of the bet.

The Building Inspection Law costs the Park place disaster. That it was not understood is no excuse.

EFFER wants Chicago to give him \$1,000,000 for a World's Fair tower. Too much, dear boy.

BALMACHAN did have the wire Wellens-day, which accounts for his "victory."

New York's baseball-players are not Giants in these days.

President HARRISON has concluded his speech-making.

THE Marine chance seems to be BLAIRNS.

The cold wave has rolled in upon us.

Bain-making is the latest fad.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS.

What has become of the asylum for homeless cases?

Is the wheat crop as well as the wheat due to the McKinley bill?

Why does the Cuban Consul never get to see his wife before 10 P. M.?

Why are not these two variances in the list of police surgeons filled?

Why will the summer girl walk down Broadway in white sleeve-suits?

Why don't society women follow the example of Mrs. Benjamin Harrison and shun America?

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(From the New York Daily.)

She is useless to try to marry her.

How do I know?

Always!

She—Invariably.

Can nothing ever change your demeanor when you once make up your mind?

She—absolutely nothing.

I wish she wouldn't care to marry a woman like that anymore.

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SKETCHES BY M. QUAD.

The Man with a Cough.

A man and his wife and four or five children sat in the Erie depot across the river the other day, and it was plain enough to the most careless observer that the relations between husband and wife were somewhat strained. She sat upon the end of a bench as stiff as a poker, while he made a thin pretense of being sleepy. All of a sudden a new idea seemed to strike him, and he began to cough. It was a regular old New Hampshire cough which shakes the dried pumpkin down from the poles in the kitchen and puts the pan out of the barn-door 40 feet away. Every time in the room looked up, and the oldest boy took on an anxious look and said to the mother:

"Maw! Maw! Dad's got an awful cold!"

"He hasn't, neither," she bluntly answered. "He's just puttin' it all on to git sympathy."

"Yes, Danny," said the old man, as he gave the boy an affectionate look; "your daddy is a wrenching himself all to pieces. It's only a question of a few days when he'll be folded to the grave, and you younguns will be left fatherless. I'll be awful on you, but I can't stay."

"How it'll be awful on them!" sharply demanded the wife.

"In various ways," replied the husband, after indulging in another cough, which almost stopped the clock. "Them children will miss my tender ways, for a long time."

"Your tender ways! You're allus scoldin' and kickin'."

"I am, eh? Very well, you can have your way about it. When I'm gone there won't be no disputin'. I'd like to die in peace; but I see I can't."

"Maw, is dad goin' to die?" asked Danny.

"Now," she replied, "he's just put his pudgy fits on."

"He has, eh?" queried the old man. "All right for you." Then I threw up a hand, perhaps you'll change your tune. When I am gone I won't be in a certain person's shoes for no money. There won't be no use of weepin' around and askin' my forgiveness when I'm gone. Danny hit me a little and give me room to cough again, and if I burst a blood-vessel I want ye to remember how your mother abused me."

This was a cough which would have cleared the head off of a ditch-pot post clear across the street, and when it died away in a faint rumble the wife looked somewhat anxious and observed:

"Why, Sarah, you mustn't get your feet out o' bed last night."

"Never mind my feet," he replied as he reached out to stroke Danny's hair. "This is the same cough that has him hastening me to the grave for a year. I don't complain, though. Nobody'll ever hear me complain 'bout anything. I'm one of them kind what suffers and endures and never says a word. Don't cry, children. Alius remember that yer father loved ye."

"Mebbe you'd better take some perry-gories," anxiously suggested the wife.

"It's too late," he whispered, as he grabbed in coming cough to the neck and thotted it. "Perry-gories never drawed a man back from the grave. You'll find the dead to the farm in that yaller chest."

"You don't want to die, Sarah," said the wife in coming tones as she laid her hand on his shoulder.

"No, I don't want to, but I feel that I've got to. I'd like to live for the children's sake, of course, but if I can't end it, I wanted to make a preacher of Danny, and a lawyer of Bill, and educate Sue to play the piano, but—"

"I wasn't mad, Sammy," interrupted the wife.

"Yes, you was, Mary—mad at your young husband, but it's all right: I shouldn't ha' hurt ye after I'm gone."

"Better go out and git ye some cough-drops, Sammy."

"How I'm goin' to get'em without a red cent!"

"Here's half a dollar."

"But you'll blow about my extravagance if I take it. Member how you blowed about them seventeen cents for a watermelon?"

"I won't blow, Sammy—not a word. Here the money, and you go in it."

"Well, I'll be the oblige to you, Mary, and mebbe I'll be the oblige to you, too."

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